Report of the Review Committee of the CSIR

2003. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2325 given in the Rajya Sabha on 27th November, 1986 and state:

(a) whether the Committee constituted by Government in April, 1986 to reveiw the functions and structure of the CSIR has submitted its report;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether the CSIR has examined the report and made any suggestions; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir. The Review Committee of CSIR has submitted its report to the Government.

(b) The recommendations of the Committee include among others:

(i) Re-drafting of the charter of CSIR and the laboratories;

(ii) Revamping the management structure of the CSIR and the laboratories;

(iii) Guidelines for selection of R&D projects;

(iv) Increasing the earnings of CSIR;

(v) Measures to improve the mobility of the scientists;

(vi) Training and re-training of personnel;

(vii) Modernisation of laboratories;

(viii) Restructuring of laboratories;

(ix) Transfer of few laboratories to Scientific Departments of Government;

(x) Government policies to:

(1) promote R&D in industry,

(2) facilitate the use of indigenous technology, and

(3) improve the absorption of imported technology.

Copies of the report have been placed in the Library of Parliament.

(c) and (d) The report is under consideration by Committee of Secretaries and CSIR. Their suggestions and recommendations are awaited.

Media coverage of Freedom Struggle

2004. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had nominated a Coordination Committee on Media Coverage of Freedom Struggle in 1984;

(b) if so, the number of meetings of the said Committee held so far; and

(c) the number of films on freedom struggle so far produced and released on Doordarshan network in last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One.

(c) Out of 42 films so far produced by Films Division in this

series, 39 films have already been telecast and also released in cinema houses.

Raids conducted on business houses

2005. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the raids conducted on (i) business houses (ii) Government officers and (iii) self-employed professionals in various parts of the country during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the amount of black money detected and the details of the incriminating documents seized; and

(c) what action has so far been taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) The details of searches conducted by Income Tax Department in the last three years are as follows:—

(Rs. in crores)

Year	No. of searches conducted	Amount of seizure
1984-85 . . .	4345	25.07
1985-86 . . .	6431	50.32
1986-87 (up to 31-1-87) . . .	5950	80.83

Keeping in view the large number of cases involved, it will not be practicable to segregate the background of the persons raided.

(b) and (c) The total amount of tax evasion will be known only after assessments are made and become final. Appropriate action under the law in these cases is taken.

Income-Tax Officers compulsorily retired in Delhi

2006. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Income-tax Officers in Delhi were compulsorily retired on the 6th February, 1987; and if so, the details thereof?

(b) whether it is a fact that Income Tax employees in Delhi have protected against the step;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Commissioner of Income Tax for Delhi refused to meet and listen to the views of the employees in this matter; and

(d) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) No, Sir. No officer was compulsorily retired on the 6th February 1987. However, three Income-tax Officers, Group-B were prematurely retired under the provi- FR 5-6 (j) on 6-2-87 by the Chief Commissioner (Admn.) and Commissioner of Income-tax, Delhi-I, New Delhi. The names of the officers are:—

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1. Avtar Singh
2. S. L. Bahe
3. A. N. Saxena

(b) Yes, Sir. Certain sections of the employees of the Income-tax Department reported to unauthorised agitation and absence from duties subsequent to the retirement.